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<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97 AND 1.98</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants which are or may be related to the patentability of the claimed invention, enclosed is a List of References Cited by Applicant listing 112 references in reverse chronological order for the Examiner's convenience. Copies of these references are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Identification of the above-listed references is not to be construed as an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since that form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior Art." As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith a "Revised Form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant."

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review all the references identified on the attached revised Form PTO 1449, and that they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

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